SHOPS AND SHOPPING IN MEXICO.

Shops and shopping, of the upper sort, in Mexico, follow French or European traditions more than American. Fanciful titles over the doorway are adopted instead of a firm name. A drygoods store is "The Surprise," "The Spring-Time," "The Explosion;" a jeweler's, the "Pearl" or "Emerald;" a shoe store, "The Azure Boot," and "The Foot of Venus." The windows are tastefully draped, and a large force of clerks is seen shoulder to shoulder within. These clerks are more democratic in their manners than Americans would venture to be. They shake hands with their patrons if they have enjoyed a slight previous acquaintance, and inquire after the health of Miss Lolita and Miss Soledad. There are those of superior social position among them, however-some who are met with at the balls of the Guatemala Minister, for instance. The explanation may perhaps be found in the limited choice of occupations open, which leaves to many who desire to work no more important places.

Until of late it has not been etiquette for ladies of standing to shop except from their carriages-a considerable part of the shopping, as for furniture and other household goods, is still conducted by the men of the family-just as it was not etiquette for ladies to be seen walking in the streets. The change in both these respects is ascribed to the horsecars. The point of ceremony, it appears, was founded somewhat upon the difficulty of getting about. The American touch appears in the streets with increasing frequency, in signs of dealers in arms, sewing machines and other of our useful inventions, and of the insurance companies, a novel idea, to which the Mexicans seem to take with much readiness. The principal shopping hours are from 4 to 6 o'clock in the afternoon. From 1 till 3, or even 4, little is done. There is a general stoppage of affairs for dinner. It is but a short time since that interesting person, the commercial traveler, has been known in the country. The profits of favorably-situated houses, in the absence of keen competition, have been very large, and methods of doing business in some instances correspondingly loose. The Mexican merchant does not necessarily go into a fine calculation of the proportionate value of each detail of a foreign invoice, but "lumps" the profit he thinks he ought to receive on the whole. Some articles, in consequence, can be bought at less than their real value, while others, in compensation, are exorbitantly advanced.-Harper's Magazine.

RETAINED EDITORS.

The retaining of a leader-writer on a great London journal, such as the Times, the Telegraph or the News, is a peculiar feature in English journalism. If a writer shows marked evidence of merit or if he has the ability to write exhaustively and in a graphic manner on some special class of subject, he is retained, as it is termed; that is, he is paid a stipulated amount each year. With the papers referred to, this is commonly £1,000 (\$5,000). In receiving a retainer he binds himself not to write for any other publication on the topics for the treatment of which his employer has engaged him. In his leisure hours he can write on other subjects as much as he pleases, but the implied understanding is that he must keep himself thoroughly informed on every phase of the particular question the Times or News wishes him to write upon, and must be in readiness whenever called upon to furnish an editorial leader. It may happen that weeks and months will pass by and no call will be made for his service and at in demand. His retainer is not to pay him for what he writes, but simply to reward him for keeping himself thoroughly informed, and to secure, when needed, the command of his services. For the actual writing he does for the paper to which he is attached he receives additional pay. The London Times pays for its first or leading editorial article \$50, and \$25 each for the following articles. In the Times office it is sometimes the case, on an important subject, that two and even three leader writers are asked to cover the same ground, and it has frequently happened that the article, when it appears, is formed out of the contributions of all three, skillfully dovetailed together by the revising editor, who has selected the best and most striking portions of each article submitted to him. When this is done each writer is paid precisely as though his leader had been printed in its entirety. Hence the cost of some of the Times' leading editorials is \$150. In the other large newspapers the writer of the leading article commonly receives \$25, and the writer of following ones \$15 each. These rates, it may be added, are in excess-independent of the retainerof what is paid for editorial work by our American journals.

To have the reputation of a bitter tongue gets you enemies and invitations to dinner.

Hypocrisy is the homage vice pays to

THERE are lots of boys in Iowa named Blaine.

DILATORY LOVERS.

The impatience of the parents of the young lady over the long and fruitless visits of the chronic caller was pictured in comic colors some years ago by a funny writer. It seems that it was midnight. The young man had farewelled himself out, and Emeline had locked the door and was untying her shoe when her mother came down-stairs with a bedquilt around her, and said:

"Wanted to creep up stairs without my hearing you, eh? Didn't think I knew it was an hour after midnight, did

The girl made no reply, and the mother continued:

"Did he propose this time?"

"Why, mother!" exclaimed the

"You can 'why, mother,' all you want to, but don't I know that you've burned up at least four tons of coal courting around here?"

The girl got her shoes off, and the mother stood in the stair door and asked:

"Emeline, have you got any grit?" "I guess so."

"I guess you haven't. I just wish that fellow with false teeth and a mole on his chin would come sparking me. Do you

know what would happen, Emeline?" " No." "Well, I'll tell you. He'd come to time in sixty days or he'd get out of this

And Emeline went to bed hugging this thought to her bosom.

mansion like a goat jumping for sun-

flower seeds.'

Occasionally such visits become so burdensome that the young lady talks to the young man herself. At least they had such a girl out in Colorado. She had been receiving the attentions of a young man for about a year, but, becoming impatient at his failure to bring matters to a crisis, she resolved to ascertain his intentions. When he next called she took him gently by the ear, led him to a seat and said:

"Nobby, you've been foolin' 'round this claim fur mighty near a year, an' hev never yit shot off your mouth on the marryin' biz. I've cottoned to yer on the square clear through, an' hev stood off every other galoot that has tried to chip in; an' now I want yer tu come down to business or leave the ranch. Ef you're on the marry and want a pard that'll stick right to ye till ye pass in your checks an' the good Lord calls ye over the range, just squeal, an' we'll hitch; but ef that ain't yer game, draw out an' give some other feller a show fur his pile. Now, sing yer song or skip

He sang.

HOW RIVERS STICK TO THEIR BEDS.

It may be interesting to trace the behavior of a stream under these trying circumstances, when a mountain range rises to dispute its path. We are not here concerned with those mountains which have arisen suddenly, by catastrophic action, but only with such as have been slowly evolved. In the former case, rivers, like all other natural features, share in the general overturning and destruction. When an elevation commences gradually across the course of a river, its first effect is to lessen the rapidity of the current above the crest of the elevation and to increase it below that point. The erosive power of a stream is proportional, other things being equal, to the rapidity of its cur. rent. Erosion is therefore more rapid below the crest. But this erosion not only deepens the bed of the stream below the crest, but also pares away the crest, from down stream upward, so that the point where the velocity of the stream changes is constantly tending another time his pen will every day be up-stream. This point, then, will always be found above, i. e., up-stream from the crest of the obstacle. The degree of obstruction which this rising mass will afford to the stream depends. not at all on the absolute height to which it may rise, but to the degree of rapidity of its rise as compared with the erosive power of the stream. If the rate of rise be greater than the erosive power at first, it forms a temporary dam, and a lake is produced above the obstacle. which increases in depth until a sufficient fall is given to the stream to enable it to cut at the same rate at which the range rises. Then equilibrium is established, and the cutting goes on at the same rate as the range increases in elevation. When the rise ceases, the lake is gradually drained in whole or in part, as the river gradually cuts away the dam by moving its crest up-stream. A diversion of the stream can only occur by reason of a new channel being made accessible by the rise of water back of the dam.

Such, in brief, is the conduct of a river when its course is in danger from the rise of a mountain range across it. It may be added that the many examples before us show that in nearly every case the river has had little trouble in sawing its way through them. Dams have seldom risen to very great height, nor have lakes collected to great depths, -Popular Science Monthly.

Taxation for education provides less that \$1 for each pupil of the public schools of Georgia.

Eggs of the flamingo sell among bird fanciers at \$2.50 apiece, or \$30 a dozen. to perfect health.

ORIGIN OF THE CAMP-MEETING.

There are those who trace the origin of the camp-meeting to Old Testament times, and refer to many passages from Genesis to the days of John the Baptist for proofs. We will, however, consider its rise as strictly American, and make no other mention of the Bible references than are suggested in the opening para-

The first camp-meeting in the United States was held in the year 1799, on the banks of the Red river in Kentucky. The way it came about was somewhat peculiar. Two brothers named McGee, one a Methodist and the other a Presbyterian, were on a religious tour from Tennessee to a place called in those days the "Barrens." They stopped at a settlement to attend a sacramental occasion with a Presbyterian minister, the Rev. Mr. McGreely by name. John McGee, the Methodist, preached on invitation, and his services are described as having been marked "with great liberty and power." McGee's brother and the Rev. Mr. Hoge followed with sermons, and their effects were remarkable, as they produced "tears of contrition and shouts

The several Presbyterian ministers, the Rev. Messrs. McGreely, Hoge and Rankins, left the house, but the McGees were too powerfully affected to depart. John was expected to preach again, but when the time came he arose and informed the people that the overpowering nature of his feelings would not allow of his preaching, and he exhorted them to surrender their hearts to God. The excitement is said to have been indescribable. The reports of these wonderful services were heard by the people in the country round, and many rushed to the place to see the preachers and witness the unusual religious exercises. the meeting house was overflowed, and an altar was erected to the Lord in the

This added new interest to the movement, and people assembled from far and near, with provisions and other necessaries for camping out, and remained several days, living in tents. For the time denominational divisions seemed to be forgotten, and the services were conducted by Presbyterians, Methodists and Baptists.

The results were so wonderful that another meeting of the same sort was suggested, and was held on the Muddy river, and still another was held on what was called the Ridge, both having been attended by great crowds who came for many miles around. These services were continued and extended with similar results, the Presbyterians and Methodists directing and conducting them. It is stated that at one of these meetings in Kentucky there were present at least 20,000 persons.

The Presbyterians gradually retired from the field, while the Methodists carried the meetings to all parts of the country. Since then other denominations have adopted them, and they have continued with more or less efficacy up to the present time, - Chicago Inter

Perfectly ! mazed. In the San Francisco Evening Bulletin we observe that Mr. Rosenthal, of the well-known printing firm, Rosenthal & Roesch, 538 California Street, that city, said to one of their reporters: "We all know of St. Jacobs Oil, and are perfectly amazed at the suddenness of the relief it affords. If you know of any one who is suffering with rheumatism, bruise or sprain, tell them to use St. Jacobs Oil."

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"Indeed; he is very fortunate,"

"Oh, yes, a very fortunate fellow: ranks high in his profession, you see." "Who is that white-headed, wearylooking old man, close behind the pugilist and his friends? Poor man! he seems thinly clad for this wintry weather. Do you know him?"

"Oh, yes; that is Old Faithful, a country clergyman. Very learned man. they say. Been a preacher of the gospel all his life, but poor as a rat. He had a benefit, too, the other night,"

"Oh, indeed! Did it net him much?" "I don't think it did. You see, it was a sort of surprise party. His parishioners called upon him in a body, ate up everything there was in the house, and left him presents to the amount of 60 cents,"-Somerville (Mass.) Journal.

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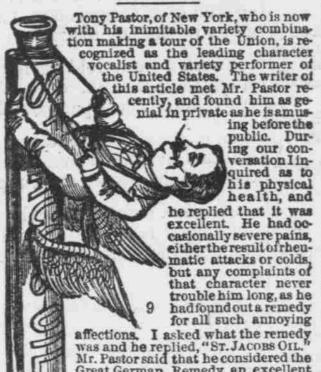
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